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Officers reports are due at officers meeting unless other arrangements are made beforehand

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Information on weekly Baronial activities is on the inside back cover. Information on BoFharrach activities is located in the BoFarrach section in the center of the Tosspot.

February

3 - Candlemass (Dragonsspine) Ayslylnn (719) 597-4944
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13-14 - Croun Tournament

May

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11-12 - Coronation

June

7-16 - SCA Thirty Year Celebration (An Tir) sca30yr@kwantlen.bc.ca

From the
Chieftan and PRAEFECTUS

Unto the good people of Unser Hafen, greetings from Llamrei and Titus, Chieftain and Praefectus.

Here it is February already, and that means Estrella War. If you can get to the war, by all means go. It is an incredible experience, SCA on a large scale. There is a little bit of everything at the war, and a lot of some things. Fighting in a war is one of the most intense experiences we have ever had in the SCA. There is a spectacular Grand Court. There is shopping. There is archery, arts and sciences competitions and classes, bardic performances and dancing by firelight, and the adventure of the journey itself. Unser Hafen is camping and eating as a group, so if you are planning to go, contact Mistress Rashiqah as soon as possible to help coordinate efforts. The Outlands needs support in all areas; heavy weapons, of course, but also marshalling, water-bearing, archery and the arts. Please contact M'lady Elspeth the Dark if you are willing to bear water for even one battle. And remember that to fight you must be authorized, and to be authorized you must be a member of the SCA. Contact Llamrei as soon as possible of you need to be authorized.

Later this month we are having our first ever Guild Gathering featuring the Equestrian Guild. We invite all the guilds to join the Equestrian Guild in exploring the history of horses, horsemanship, and other arts and skills related to horses in the ancient and medieval world. We will be demonstrating the Equestrian games and different styles of riding. This gathering is open to everyone; contact M'lady Rosslyn for details.

Llamrei chieftan		Titus praefectus
Sir Dedtrich Hiltipard defender	Lord Egbert de l'Abbey du St. Martin protector	Lord Duncan O'Shea warden
	baronial squire	
Minamoto Genshiro Arglwydd Caradoc ap Rhys	Lady Killinen Lord Minamoto Takashige	Gerard of Grey Niche Moryen ap Glyndwr
THL Rosalind of Wellmark protocol minister	Lord Theopompus Leonidas lictor	Baroness Brannwyn Ottersby baronial bard
	Axel baronial page	

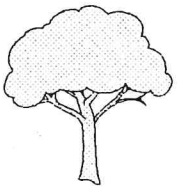
Kingdom Arts and Sciences competition is coming up next month in Caer Galen. We keep reminding you because we would love to see all of our talented citizens enter this august competition. Next month is also our own Dance Collegium and Ball; don't miss it!

Congratulations to the good folk, cattle and other livestock of Bofharrach (I'm illiterate so spelling doesn't bother me) on the passage of their name and their official permission to exist. We are wondering whether all this will go to your heads, and how you could possible continue as a legitimate operation. We're sure you'll think of something!

We can always use more trendy gifts to give to deserving people. If you are interested in donating some of your handiwork (whatever form that takes!), we would appreciate them.

In Service,

CLAMRGH



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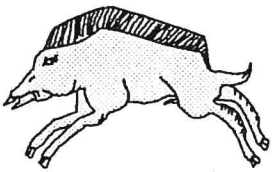

officer's reports

Greetings and good health to you all!

I took over the office of Seneschal from The Honorable Lady Theresa at the first dance practice of January. She has done a tremendous job these last two years, and I hope to live up to her example and that of those preceeding her.

Estrella War is coming up! For those of you going, be sure to have your membership and authorizations up to date. And don't forget, they only accept CASH for the site fee!

We have one demo scheduled already for February. It will be a heavy weapons-oriented demo for Boy Scouts and their families on Friday, February 23. I am currently organizing this demo, so contact me if you can help (484-1087).

In regards to demos, if you are contacted about doing a demo, please refer your contact to me. I will probably still ask you to organize the demo (*evil grin*), but I need to be in on the decision as to which demos this group does for insurance reasons. Also, I would like to start having at least 3-4 weeks notice on demos. That gives us time to plan the demo and to find people to commit to helping out. Currently, we get a lot of "last minute" calls leading to a variety of problems including using the same people over and over again and no knowledge until the demo starts of what material you can cover (based on who actually shows up). At best, we end up with "demo burnout," and at worst, we look poorly organized and unknowledgable about the Middle Ages.

We are trying a lot of new techniques this year to recruit new members. Hopefully, they will go more smoothly than some past efforts and bring a new era of growth to the Barony!

Finally, there is a special exhibit of Mongolian art at the Denver Art Museum. The works are all post-1600, but they are stunning and continue an artistic tradition that started pre-1600. It is only $6.00, and I enthusiastically recommend that you go see the exhibit if you can!

Until next month,

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(Rashiqah)

Unto the populace of the Barony of Unser-Hafen does Lord Mark de Saint Sauver-le-Viconte send greetings. The balance of our funds at the January officers meeting was $3176.60.

On behalf of all the Barony, I wish to thank Lord Akira for his excellence in T-shirt production and sales. His efforts resulted in a net gain to our coffers of over $250.00.

In service to the Dream

Mark de Saint Sauver-le-Viconte

From the Office of the Herald

You can write to their majesties at:
TRM Artan and Aziza
c/o Jeff and Jennifer Cunico
1304 Kentucky NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

Da'ud ibn Auda, Laurel King of Arms, included this interesting bit in a recent letter.

GOLDE in Arms sygnifieth foure Vertues, vizt: Nobleness, Goodwill, Restoratyve and Hautyness or Magnimity.
SILVER in Armes sygnifieth fyve Vertues, vizt: Humility, Beauty, Purity, Clearness and Innocency.
GUELLES sygnifieth Valyance.
AZURE sygnifieth Renowne and Beauty.
SABLE sygnifieth Mournyng and Sorrow.
SYNOPLE or green sygnifieth alle Plants, Trees, Herbes and all green things that groweth uppon the earth.
POURPRE sygnifieth Moderation.

From "The History of Prince Arthur's Knights" by Richard Robinson, 1583

Da'ud is soon to be stepping down as Laurel King of Arms, and is searching for replacements. He has had two couple offer to take over the position, one of which includes Talan, his own deputy, a very knowledgeable person in onomastic knowledge.
I, too, am looking to step down. At the writing of this missive I have not yet had any inquiries, but I am writing pretty early in the month. Please see last months report for a full and complete explanation of this position... it has its rewards!
I should like to alert you all that the Knowne World Heraldic Symposium is coming up. I went to last years which was in Caerthe, and was very interesting. Lots of classes about heraldry and about the scribal arts were held, and lots of socializing with heralds from all over the country. It was a very nice time, and I hope to attend as many of these unique events as I can. This June it will be held in Montgomery, Alabama. A full repertoire including local attractions (and transportation to them) is already planned and looks to be another exciting time! Call me if you are interested in any of the above things!
I have obtained for the barony a copy of "Heraldic Display" which includes historic information about banner styles and proper display procedures. Also construction of said banners, heraldic clothing, etc. I will try to carry this book with me for the next month, so just ask if you would care to take a look at it.
I would like to thank Lord Sean ui Neill who has graciously stepped in to serve as a court herald every time Lord Duncan is not able to be with us. Lord Sean, you have the undying gratitude of this sometimes shy book herald. May your roads always be clear.

PASSED!
Robert Edward Stewart- device
Robert Edward Stewart- name
Sekimura Minamoto Akiranaga- name
Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige- name

AT LAUREL
Adhoc- badge
Amice de Fayel- device
Bofharrach- device

Ceindrych Costaine- device
Gerard de Saint Michel- name change
Mark de Saint-Saveur-le-Vicompte- device
Sarolta of Sarkel- device

AT KINGDOM
Anne Mathieu- device resubmission
Caradoc ap Rhys- device
Moyra MacColla- name
Rashiqah bint Azhar Amatulbaari al-Cairo- name
St. Martin's Abbey- badge \
St. Martin's Abbey- device --- Akira, are these petitions ready? I need them.
St. Martin's Abbey- name /
Segovax Vercingetorix Nertocenmarus- badge
Segovax Vercingetorix Nertocenmarus- name
Tamlene ap Guidgen- device resubmission

RETURNED
Anne Mathieu- device resubmission, bendlet needs to be a bend, please resubmit new paperwork
Eleanor Ælfheah- she has reconsidered her name and will resubmit soon
Order of the Corona Graminea of Unser Hafen- badge returned, new forms being filled out
Sekimura Minamoto Akiranaga- mon (needs background and redraw, see me)
Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige- badge (cross is ok, needs background, pine needles are impossible, see me)
Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige- mon (needs background, need to redraw chevrons (mountains) also pine needle problem, see me)

In Your Service,

Wenhauer

Barbican Pursuivant (really, really!)

From the Chronicler

Please note that several officers are looking for deputies; myself, Wenhauer, and Drahomira. If you have nay interest in any of these officer's positions please contact the current officer. For the office of chronicler you need to be able to type, have a computer and a decent printer. No prior experience is needed. If you're interested you need to talk to me soon. Only one person has expressed interest so far and I intend to consult with Their Excellencies by Dance Collegium regarding my successor.

Also, if anyone would like to sponsor a theme Tosspot, like we have been having, let me know. Also, if your device has passed I need a copy of it so I can print it on the cover. This is the first time in three years that I have had an excess of cover art. I still have several submissions from the last contest. Don't worry, they'll get printed eventually.

In Service to Their Ecellencies and the Barony,

Robin of Bristol

Unto the Fair People of this Great Barony, Greetings:

Did you miss me? I didn't think so. Well you don't have a choice, this month I'm back. Once again blabbering on about things, stuff, and lint. But this month's missive actually has some real content because its February. Yes the idyllic month of February, so named by the people of the Roaming Empire for their feast of purification whose name comes from the Latin fumus - which means to smoke a cigarette (maybe it was opposite day when they named the holiday). But to more modern (by 1000 years or so) people this month means something else, something well... more *exciting* then some Mediterranean smoke-while-you-bathe ritual. Its time for a WAR! AHHHHHH, YES! I LOVE THE SMELL OF DUCT TAPE IN THE MORNING! But before we get from here to Estrella there are a few things that need to be taken care of first.

First thing - if you plan to fight, or even just attend **YOU MUST HAVE SCA MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR.** Proof can be a newsletter label, card, canceled check, etc. But they won't let you in without one. Secondly, **THEY ONLY TAKE CASH AT THE TROLL** this year. Don't expect to use a check. Third, **MAKE SURE YOUR AUTHORIZATION IS CURRENT BEFORE YOU GO DOWN TO PHOENIX** if you plan to fight. If you aren't current, or have never been authorized contact me or Her Excellency *before* a fighter practice between now and then. Fourth, **HAVE ME OR ANOTHER MARSHALL CHECK YOUR ARMOR AND WEAPONS BEFORE YOU GO.** You'd be surprised at what might have happened to your armor since you last went to an event. You might have gaps you didn't know, there might be pieces that have shifted, or your spear could be 4 inches to long. Fifth, **PLEASE CONTACT MYSELF OR THEIR EXCELLENCIES IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE FIGHTING IN OUR UNIT.** Knowing our numbers helps plan logistics and tactics. Sixth, **HAVE FUN, REMEMBER ITS ONLY A GAME AND PLAY SAFELY.** If we can get through this war without a single major injury or blown temper I promise to buy a beer for every one of our fighters there. And finally **FIGHT HONORABLY, FIGHT HARD, AND SHOW THE KNOWNE WORLD THE MIGHT OF UNSER HAFEN!**

If you need new weapons before the war, remember that we have rattan for sale - $16.50 / stick with an optional $1 donation for Baronial profit. I also would like everyone to carefully read their January Outlandish Herald for the new Outland's Fighting Conventions. Major changes appear in combat archery and minor changes in several other areas. If you have any comments about these changes please feel free to talk to me and/or tell Julut directly. There is also interesting reading in either the November of December OH, in the full Treaty of Estrella. It's going to be interesting with this being the first year of the three-way war, and with the new ransom battle (looks fun!). So I hope to see you down there!

In Your Service, I am,

Caradoc ap Rhys

Equestrian Practice at the CSU Equine Center

Thursday February 8 - Adams/Atkinson Arena, 6PM - 10PM
Thursday February 22 - Adams/Atkinson Arena, 6PM - 10PM
Every 2nd and 4th Thursday a 6 PM at the Adams/Atkinson Arena

Greetings from the Equestrian Guild of Unser Hafen!

Gaming practices continue to be held twice per month at the CSU Equine Center. We are Currently Scheduled for the first and third Wednesdays up through December. In January, practices will be held the first and third Thursdays of each month and so will no overlap with St. Martin's Abbey fighter practices. In addition to the change of evenings, practices will be held exclusively in the Adams/Atkinson Arena from 5:30 to 9:30 PM. We will continue to have gaming practice for those of us that have horses on one night of the month and will have general riding practice on the other night.

*** NOTICE!!! due to insurance regulations, SCA membership is required to attend equestrian practices!**

Please remember that to attend practices, health insurance and SCA membership is required - please bring copies of these things before attending a practice so that they may be included in our records. Waivers will be available at practices to sign. Garb is optional but not recommended.

To bring a more historical focus into the guild, an informative meeting will be held every other month. For these meetings, an individual will volunteer to present a discussion based on research they have done regarding an aspect of horses or something to do with horses that is either historical or beneficial to our group in becoming better horse people. Membership and health insurance requirements will be announced in the Tosspot prior to these meetings. Both practice and meeting times will be posted in the Tosspot.

The Equine Center is on Overland Trail near the corner of Elizabeth. If you would like more information about the equestrian guild of Unser Hafen, please contact Damiana at 498-0798. Thank you for joining us on this unique endeavor! I look forward to seeing everyone at equestrian practice!

Damiana

RIDES AND RIDERS!

IF YOU NEED A RIDE TO DANCE CLASS OR CAN PROVIDE A RIDE, CONTACT ME AT 482-6608 OR 484-5749

THLTheresea

OYEZ, OYEZ, OYEZ!

LADY WENHAUER IS LOOKING FOR A DEPUTY. GIVE HER A CALL AT 225-8081 IF YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED!

THOSE GOOD GENTLES POSSESSING METAL SWORDS, DAGGERS OR OTHER FORMS OF PERIOD WEAPONRY SUITABLE FOR A STAGE PLAY - Lady Lughbec needs them RIGHT NOW! for a production of Shakespear's "Much Ado About Nothing." Please contact her at (970) 353-6782.

P.S. - Anyone wishing to attend Open Stage Theatre's Production of "Much Ado About Nothing" on Friday, March 1 for a group rate contact Lughbec before February 14. c/o Nancy Lynch, 1941 Sixth Ave., Greeley, CO 80631 (970) 353-6782

Mistress Drahomira is looking for a deputy to eventually take over the position of Baronial Scribe. The position consists mainly of delegating and coordinating - making sure that scrolls get done and that training classes are held. Only modest calligraphy skills are required. Contact Mistress Drahomira at 663-1513

The History of English
Part Eleven
by Robert Spenser

What the Normans did to English

Conquerors often have a way of permanently altering what they have conquered. England discovered that, not once, but twice in recorded history. The second time it was the Normans. They brought with them their language and made it the language of the law and the aristocracy. For the most part, Norman French enhanced English making it a richer, fuller language. Very few things were completely changed. Because, while the rulers were making decrees and laws in French, the English just kept right on speaking their native tongue. They began to pick up some of the new words and use them. Others were replaced, like the following listed by Old English/Middle English/Modern English: æhta/catel/property (the celts weren't the only ones to know the value of cattle), burhsttende man/citeseyn/citizen, dæl/porcioun/portion, dælde/departide/divided, forwearð/perischid/perished, gælsa/lecherously/lechery, genoh/plente/enough plenty, gewlnode/coueitide/wanted coveted, rice/cuntre/country, þeow/seruant/servant.

It was at this time that some of our familiar spelling conventions started. In fact, English spelling was standardized (by typesetters) in the late Middle English period. Previously English used ð and þ for the 'th' sounds. The Norman scribes began to use th. As well as ch, sh, qu, and c's double role as 's' and 'k'. Some of the more interesting spelling changes resulted from new sounds in some of the words. English had never had words starting with v, only f. So such words as vine resulted in needing both f and v (prviously both sounds had been written f). Now we have both vine and fine. Another pair was s and z. Two letters that weren't used separately yet were u/v and i/j. They were just different ways to write the same letter.

English regained it's literary standing with the following opening.

Whan that Aueryll wt his shoures soote
The droghte of March hath pced to the roote
And bathed euery veyne in swich lycour
Of which vtu engendred is the flour
Whan zephiurs eek wt his sweete breeth
Inspired hath in euery holt and heeth
The tendre croppes and the yonge sonne
Hath in the Ram his half cours yronne
And smalle foweles maken melodye
That slepen al the nyght with open Iye
So pricketh hem nature in hir corages
Thanne langon fold to goon on pilgrymages
And Palmeres for to seeken straunge strondes
To ferne halwes kouth in sondry londes
And specially from euery shyres ended
Of Engelond to Caunterbury they wende

The spelling and abreviations are straight from the original text of the Canterbury tales by Geoffrey Chaucer

Blacksmithing Guild

Blacksmithing Guild has open smithing once each month, usually on the second Saturday. This month we will be meeting on Saturday, February 17, at Tamlene and Drahomira's. Please inquire if directions are needed.

Steve and Jodi Smith
Tamlene and Drahomira
6333 East Hwy. 402
Loveland, CO 80537

Remeber: Potluck Lunch. Please bring something to share.

We start about 9:30 in the morning, and end early to late afternoon. Instruction is available. Please bring your own safety goggles, gloves, ear protection and old clothes (mundane work clothes recommended unless you have suitable garb). Please do not wear clothes made from synthetics.

SPECIAL PROGRAM
at -->11:00<--

Tamlene will be just back from a week long class "Gothic and Renaissance Ironwork" taught by George Dixon (head smith at Samuel Yellin's shop). Tamlene will describe/demonstrate some of the things he learned. Normal forging will be available if you are not interested in the presentation.

Shop fees are 50 cents per hour for forge use (which is cost). Steel is a different story. Steel is available, but we are charging above new price to encourage people to bring their own. We will happily tell you all of our favorite places to buy scrap and new metal.

No level of skill is needed, just some enthusiasm!
Please call if you would also like to smith at another time.

Tamlene ap Guidgen	663-1513
Thorfinn Greybeard	667-1284
Master Garwed Cadburiensis	542-0890

Are you tired of cold weather?
Does the though of snow bring you down?

Then come join me at the

Shake the Midwinter Blues!!

On Friday, February 23rd, the Barony of Dragonsspine is hosing a Middle Eastern gathering in Gaylord Hall on the Colorado College campus. The doors open at 6:00 PM and close at 12:00 AM.

There will be a Mediterranean potluck feast, so bring enough food to feed 6 people.

After the feast there will be Middle Eastern dancing. We need dancers, drummers, and other musicians, as well as magic music in a box.

Bring yourself, your friends, Middle Eastern garb, pillows, rugs, food, drink (non-alcoholic), an appetite, drums, rhythm, and a smile.

The site is on the nothwest corner of Cache La Poudre and Cascade in the Worner Center. **No site fee!**

Contact Sir Haroun (719) 444-0194 for further info.

Middle Eastern Garb-making Day

There will be a middle eastern garb day at Theresa die Tanzerin's house Feb. 10. Theresa and Rashiqah will be helping put together middle eastern garb for anyone who is interested. Chala will be going over middle eastern makeup and headdresses. If you want to make garb, bring pre-washed fabric for whatever outfit you'd like to make.

To figure out how much fabric you'll need, make the following measurements:
Waist to ankle
Hips
Bust

Pants: If your waist to ankle measurement is less than 45", then you need to buy 1 1/2 times your hip measurement. For example, if your hip measurement is 40", then you will need 2 1/3 yards (80") of fabric. If your waist to ankle measurement is more than 45", then you will need 2 times your waist to ankle measurement of fabric. For example, if your waist to ankle measurement is 50", you will need 3 yards (100") of fabric.

Underdress: Get the same amount of fabric as you would for a T-tunic.

Overdress/overcoat:

Ghawazee coat (I think that's how it's spelled - this is the outfit you see most often in the SCA): You will need fabric for the body of the coat and the sleeves. If your hip and bust measurements are both less than 43", then decide how long you want the coat and buy that much fabric for the body of your coat. If either your hip or bust measurement are larger than 43", then you need to buy two times the length of the coat (but don't buy any fabric for the sleeves). For sleeves, you need 1/2 yard for short sleeves, 1 yard for long sleeves 1 1/2 yards for Persian sleeves (really long ones).

Persian coat: Buy the same amount of fabric as you would for a T-tunic.

Turkish anteri: If your bust measurement is less than 43", you will need 1 1/2 times your shoulder to mid-thigh measurement. If your bust measurement is greater than 43", you will need 2 times your shoulder to mid-thigh measurement.

Egyptian thaub: You will need to same amount as you would for a knee-length T-tunic.

For fabric, you'll want to stick to cotton or other natural fibers, although poly/cotton blends work well too. Arabic and persian clothing can be nice and cool in the summer if made out of cotton/ linen/silk and will be nice and warm when worn in layers in the winter.

As far as patterns go, the arabs were very fond of large floral patterns, polka dots, stripes, geometric designs, and paisleys. The trick is to find designs that are fairly large and not too complex. Plain color fabric also works really well.

university of caerthe

This month Sir Titus will return to the very beginnings of Roman history, to talk about the seven kings who reigned before the founding of the Republic. We will hear about Numa Pompillius, the Sabine, and what the real relations were between the Romans and the Sabines. He will tell us about Servius Tullius, the king who was a slave, and about the (possibly) historical Romulus, first king of Rome.

We will meet at 7:30 P.M. on the fourth Wednesday of the month, February 28, at the home of Amelia von Altburg -- 9901 East Evans Avenue, #28D, Denver. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For further information, call THL Amelia, 750-0180, or Master Robin Vinehall, 444-5004. If you live in Unser Hafen, you can call Baron Titus, 490-2936.

Unser Hafen Guild Gathering

Feb 24th, 1996

Come one come all and join the guilds of Unser Hafen as they gather together this bright February. This guild gathering is sponsored by the Equestrian Guild of Unser Hafen and will have an Equestrian flare, including a few of our fine steeds. The site has power and heat so bring any of your ideas and projects. There will be several informal Equestrian related presentations and projects by the local guilds and ideas are still being taken. A donation lunch has been planned. Membership and Insurance NOT required.

Site: CSU Equestrian Center - Adams/Atkinson Arena

Directions: Take your best route to Fort Collins. Go west on either Mulberry or Prospect to Overland Trail. The site is located on the west side of Overland Trail, south of Mulberry and north of Prospect.

If you have any questions please contact either
Autocrat: Rosslin von Hohenzollern (970) 484-2213
sjmoyes@lamar.colostate.edu
UH Equestrian Guild Head: Lady Damiana (970) 498-0798

Sca Discussion Group

On the first Monday of the month (the one free one!) THL Leonora and Syr Deotrich will be hosting a discussion group. Over the months, we will be covering a wide range of topics (a suggestion box will be here for your ideas). All persons interested in things SCA are welcome. We will be focusing on how to make the SCA experience a richer and deeper experience. Modern garb is acceptable.

Topic: March 4: SCA Demos the first 45 minutes will be reserved for the worst "no %#*& there I was" worst can-you-top-this demo story, we will then discuss what went wrong and brainstorm as to how to make it better. We will also take suggestions for other topics for the following months.

Details:
There is no smoking on the property.
If you want to eat or drink something, bring it! Bring pillows to sit on!
The door will open at 7:00 p.m. The discussions will start at 7:30 p.m. If you would like to lead one, let us know.

Directions: Take your best route to the town of Loveland and get on Colorado Highway 34 towards the Rocky Mountain National Park (west). On the west edge of town, there will be a stoplight with a Safeway, a K-Mart, and a Diamond Shamrock gas station. This is the corner of Wilson (Taft Hill in Fort Collins) and Highway 34 (Eisenhower). Take Wilson south (left) until the four way stop. This is First Street (or County 20), go right (west) towards the mountains. You will pass one four way stop, the Marianna Buttes golf course, two little lakes right across the street from each other, and a sharp left turn. Just past that turn on the right hand side is our house. It is a small tan house with greenish trim. There is a horse in the side yard. The snowplow hit our mailbox at the end of January, so all I can say is that we will post the street number on the mailbox. The drive is U-shaped so park on the left side so others can pass.

Address: 7743 West First Street
Phone: 970/669-3835
e-mail: THLSpike@aol.com

Kingdom of the Outlands
Arts & Sciences Competition Guidelines

After the highly successful Queen's Prize Tourney held last September, Their Majesties and the Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences have decided to change the process of selecting the Champion of Arts & Sciences. Each entry will be evaluated by a minimum of three "judges" using traditional judging forms based on a 0(low) to 5(excellent) scale. These will be used for feedback only and entrants are encouraged to be with their entries for a personal discussion with the "judges". The Champion will be chosen by the "judges" through a ballot system based on their favorite overall entry. The entrant of the item with the most ballots shall be named "Champion of the Arts & Sciences" for the Kingdom of the Outlands. Her Majesty, Aziza, will also choose her favorite entry for the "Queen's Prize". Members of the populace are encouraged to give tokens of appreciation to the entrant(s) of their choice.

The following is a general list of categories to be used for organizing entries at the Competition:

I. Visual Arts
(Calligraphy, Jewelry, Sculpture, etc.)
II. Fiber Arts
(Costuming, Weaving, Needlework, etc.)
III. Culinary Arts
(Breads, Herbalism, Brewing (tasting only), etc.)
IV. Functional Arts
(Armor, Furniture, Household articles, etc.)
V. Written
(Research, Instructional, Entertainment, etc.)
VI. Performance Art
(Vocal, Instrumental, Dance, etc.)

There will also be a display area for mundane adaptations (i.e., ice chest covers, Coke can holders, etc.)

Rules for entering the Outlands Kingdom Arts & Sciences Competition, March XXX (1996):

1. Contestants must have a current SCA membership and reside within the boundaries of the Outlands.
2. The entrant should include documentation with each item entered, five pages maximum, including a general description, method of construction, and information relating to its anachronistic value and use.
3. Any single item will be allowed to be entered in only one category.
4. Discourses or demonstrations of a craft or skill will be considered for Champion. There is a 15-20 minute time limit.
5. No item may be entered which has previously won or placed in any other Outlands Kingdom A & S Competition. Entries in the Queen's Prize Tourney will be accepted.
6. Written entries: Three (3) copies of written entries are due to the Kingdom MOAS March 1, 1996, for distribution to "judges". There is no limit on the number of pages, but 10pt or 12pt type-face is requested.
7. Entries need not be in their final state by the time of the Competition, however, completion is highly encouraged. If the work is incomplete, please note this in the documentation and explain the finishing of the entry.
8. All work shall be completed by the entrant. If the entry is a group effort, please note this in the documentation.
9. Sponsorship by a Laurel or Argent Hart is encouraged but not required.
10. Entries must be registered by 10:00AM the day of the event - No exceptions.

If you are interested in "judging", or have any questions pertaining to categories or guidelines, contact the Kingdom MOAS: Lady Marie d'Acre (Vanya Lambert) at 929 LaFarge Avenue, Louisville, CO 80027. (303) 666-7066.

Unser Hafen Dance Collegium and Ball VII

Saturday, March 16, 1996

The Barony of Unser Hafen invites all to join us in the pursuit of the gentle art of dance at our Seventh Annual Dance Collegium and Ball. This year's event will be held at the same site as last year in the McMillen Building of the Larimer County Fairgrounds in Loveland, Colorado.

The Hall opens at 11 A.M. A light lunch will be served from noon to 1 PM at a cost $1.50 per person. The Collegium will feature instruction on Western and Eastern dance forms of varying difficulty from 1 PM through 4 PM. Children's activities will be provided through out the afternoon. There will be a grand court processional and court in the late afternoon. The evening will be devoted to a Feast and Grand Ball. Dances learned in the classes will be danced to the accompaniment of live period music performed by the illustrious Caerthan Consort and friends. The Hall will close at midnight. This is a dry site. Merchants are welcome.

The Western dance instructors are lead by THL Catriona Sterling de Liston. THL Catriona will teach her dances in three classes grouped by dance difficulty. THL Sekimura Minamoto no Akiranaga will teach a class on "Beginning Western Dance", and Mu'allima Rashiqah will teach a session on "French Dance Forms", especially pavans. Many classes will have assistant instructors to provide more personal and timely help in large classes.

The Eastern arts will be taught from 11 AM through 4 PM in the context of a Hafla - a gathering where the tribe and friends come together to share music and dance. The atmosphere will be personal and informal. The classes will include "Art of the Guedra, A Moroccan(Berber) Trance Dance" by Lady Chala, "Basic Middle Eastern dance forms" by Lady Mazuna and Lady Chala, "Arm and Hand" by Lady Mazuna, and "Art of Group dancing in the SCA". Come join our Eastern Dancers, and bring your tapestries to decorate the Eastern dance room. If you are interested in Eastern drumming, please bring your rhythm instruments. Depending on availability of drummers and student interest, we will try to provide for drum instruction and group drumming.

A traditional Irish spring feast by The Inn of the Irish Mad Woman will be served as follows:

breads and flavored spreads
Court bullion
White Fish in dill sauce with candied sweet potatoes
Cok of the North with brazed carrots on rice
Roast lamb in mint sauce with Slive na mBan
Traditional Irish desserts

Enough to satisfy anyone's taste! If you have special dietary needs, please contact the Feast Coordinator, Lady Adrianna Gretchen von Fehmarn at 970-224-3389 by March 1. (Feast details are subject to change at whim of the Feast Coordinator.) Side boarding space will be available.

Musicians are welcome! Music is available by mail from the Autocrats in advance, or at the site during the event.

The site fee is $4.00 for SCA members; non-members will be charged the $3.00 Society surcharge. The feast is limited to 125 people, and costs $7.00, if the reservation is received prior to March 1. After March 1 the feast price increases to $9.00. Children six and under are free, twelve and under half price. Make checks payable to SCA - Unser Hafen. Send reservations to the Autocrats: THL Rosalind of Wellmark(Rosalind Wells) and Lord Thorfinn Graybeard (Perry Wells), 3601 El Caminito, Loveland, CO 80537, (303) 667-1284. Some crash space is available with advance notice. Arrange for this with the Autocrats.

Directions to the site:
>From I-25, take exit 255 (Highway 402), and go West on 402 4.7 miles to S. Roosevelt Avenue (just across the railroad tracks). Go north (right) on S. Roosevelt .6 miles to the site at the Larimer County Fairgrounds. The McMillan Building is on the right side of the road. Watch for the "Fairgrounds" and "SCA" signs.

On US 287 go to the south end of Loveland. At the intersection with Highway 402 (14th Street SW), turn West on Colo 402 and go .4 miles to S. Roosevelt Avenue (just across the railroad tracks). Go north (right) on S. Roosevelt .6 miles to the site at the Larimer County Fairgrounds. The McMillan Building is on the right side of the road. Watch for the "Fairgrounds" and "SCA" signs.

Places in the Outlands

Aarquelle - Pueblo, CO
Adams County, CO - *Hawk's Hollow*
al-Barran - Albuquerque, NM
Alamogordo, NM - *White Mountain*
Albuquerque, NM - *al-Barran*
Anlieplic Dun - Los Alamos, NM
Ard Tir - Laramie, WY
Blaiddwyn - University of New Mexico
BoFharrach - Greeley, CO
Boulder, CO - *Caer Galen*
Caer Galen - Boulder, CO
Caer Mithin Halle - Carlsbad, NM
Caerthe - Denver, CO
Carlsbad, NM - *Caer Mithin Halle*
Casper, WY - *Plattefordham*
Cheyenne, WY - *Windkeep*
Citadel of the Southern Pass - El Paso, TX
Clovis, NM - *Scorpions Hollow*
Colorado College - *Tygre's Keep*
Colorado Springs, CO - *Dragonsspine*
Deming, NM - *Loch Thloram*
Denver, CO - *Caerthe*
Drachenhaus - Rawlins, WY
Dragonsspine - Colorado Springs, CO
Drygestan - Santa Fe, NM
El Paso, TX - *Citadel of the Southern Pass*
Farmington, NM - *Fontaine dans Sable*
Fontaine dans Sable - Farmington, NM
Fort Collins, CO - *Unser Hafen*
Gering/Scottsbluff, NE - *Hinterland*
Gleann Medonach - Roswell, NM
Greeley, CO - *BoFharrach*
Hawk's Hollow - Adams County, CO
Hinterland - Gering/Scottsbluff, NE
Hobbs, NM - *Kahlland*
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Socorro, NM - *St. Golias*
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Tygre's Keep - Colorado College
University of New Mexico - *Blaiddwyn*
Unser Hafen - Fort Collins, CO
White Mountain - Alamogordo, NM
Windkeep - Cheyenne, WY

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in service to the Incipient Canton of

Bosharrach

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1996

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BoFharrach's Chronicler's Report of February 1996

Greetings from the Udder Cow Herds!

W A R !!! Our Praefectus and Chieftain in Unser Hafen call us to arms with our King to do battle for the greater glory of the Outlands! The sands of Estrella burn to have us cross swords, spears and arrows with our noble and worthy opponents in war. I encourage all who are able to attend and meet in an intimate gathering of a few thousand of your closest mates. There is a great variety of things to do and partake of besides battle including massive period shopping, classes in a wide variety of interests, many exotic foods, and talking with so many who can enlighten and share common specializations. This advertisement has been brought to you by one who has attended for the last three years and has had a grand and glorious time!

In other Canton-like news . . . BoFharrach has gathered for dancing, fighter practice, sewing, and various artistic endeavors. We made loaner tabards for those visiting our gatherings for the first time or not able to bring their garments (to cover nakedness . . . a noble act indeed!) We have had many new and renewing persons attending our gatherings and we are thrilled to have them join our games and artistic endeavors.

We prepare our young fighters for war, our veterans have born battle wounds to preclude their attendance this year. It has not been the best weather to practice in but, we struggle on. Conchobhar loans has armour to deputy herald Hannah. Please take good care of her as she proudly wears the armour of a fine warrior.

BoFharrach plans to have a Canton/Baronial merchanting booth at Unser Hafen's Dance College. For those who wish to assist, please donate period items you no longer want to have to me, Lady Lughbec at (970) 353-6781. We will sell the items and donate all proceeds to our grouOps.

That concludes the moos from Their Majestie's Northern cattle pastures. May all your women be strong, your cattle good looking, and your children above average.

In Service to the Dream,

Lughbec ni Cóm

three heroes

an englyn penfyr by Lady Llamrei Aethnen

Here three heroes now behold together;
Their deadly swords shine like gold
Shines their battle courage bold.

Proud Sir Kevin, great renown knows him well;
Lordship, knight's spurs and bright crown.
Where he rides foemen bow down.

Such honor does he display that all brave
Warriors with joy and pride say
They ride with him this good day.

Yet by his hand, his harp sings sweet laments,
His gentle soul music brings,
And from his heart gives gold rings.

Sir Titus, with strength of ten,wields short sword
Against danger in its den,
In war crushes lesser men.

Stalwart as a wall he stands with his shield,
Flashing death within his hands,
His great heart known through all lands.

Golden words his voice does weave, ancient tales
The distant past to retrieve.
Each story listeners believe.

And the third one, that is I, small but fierce,
Keen of blade and wit, Llamrei.
Evil foemen I defy.

A warrior's horn did me call to love's side;
No lady's life in safe hall,
Free as wind, no gate or wall.

In high mountains, there I dwell, with the wind;
Stone and tree and fozest well
Their secrets old do me tell.

Our deeds make legend the name of the North.
All the bards have sung our fame
When we fresh from battle came.

Bofarrach A&S Minister Report to Unser Hafen

January 9, 1996

During December we really didn't do too much. We attended the Baronial Yule, visited with family and friends, and generally had a restful time (hope you did too!). January 2, we gathered at Lady Lughbec's home to construct newcomer tabards. Five of us made six tabards.

We are hoping to have a conclusion to our beer making class with Lord Tamlene sometime in January, or early February. Lady Elszebet is coming with her specific gravity device to check on our Mead from November. We'll let you know how it turns out.

January will see us only at John Evans twice, so we will be doing needlework on the 16th and hopefully some armoring (construction and repair on the 30th. The Urchin's Guild will not have an activity this month due to school constraints and mega preparations for Dance Collegium. Please see enclosed list for the UG thanks!

In Service,

Amice

Needed for Dance Collegium, by Bofharrach's Urchin's Guild

Stick on labels
Tags of favors to identify children
Space at troll booth, or special sigh up sheets
Snacks for mid-day
VOLUNTEERS to do activities with children
Schedule from autocrats
count of children

5QT plastic ice-cream buckets for drumming
styrofoam meat trays
yarn needles
scraps of yarn, fabric
fabric markers, paints or crayons (they don't need to be perfect and you shouldn't want them back)
Crayons for coloring
fabric glue
sugar cookies, frostings and decorated materials (for snacktime)
snack items brought by parents enough to share, i.e. carrot sticks w/ranch dressing of celery/apples w/peanut butter and raisins

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Fighter Practice

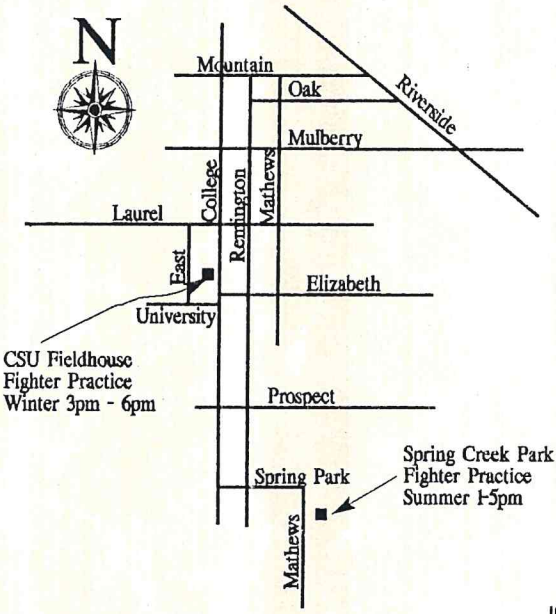
Winter practice is from 3-6 PM on Sundays at the CSU Field House. The Switch to summer hours starts in April or May. It will be in Spring Creek Park from 1-5 PM.

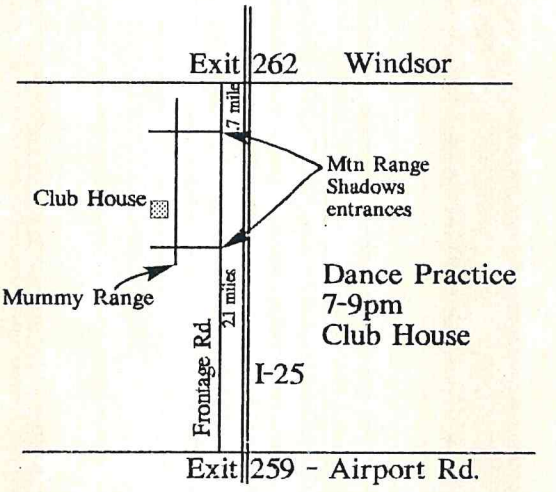
Dance Practce

Second and Fourth Monday's from 7-9 PM at the Mountain Range Shadows Club House. See map.

Archery Practice

Winter practice is every Sunday from 12-2 PM. Summer hours begin in April or May when it moves to 5-7 every Thursday. The site is at the home of Tamlene and Drahomira, a quarter mile east of I-25 on Colorado Hwy. 402.





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famour quotes
Wayland - "It doesn't matter how many bars your portcullis has when you have a big shield."